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Junior Benefit Claims Students' Attention As Spotlight Focuses On Campus Beauties Tonight

Alpha Phi Sigma Will Conduct Initiations

In the tea room tomorrow, January 21, the organization will hold its initiation of those girls who have received the required number of quality points and are now eligible for membership in Alpha Phi Sigma. The initiation ceremony will begin at 2:30.

Those girls who are receiving their first degree include: Anne Shaffer, Kathryn Newcome, Elizabeth Kinsman, Elizabeth Bodwell, Elaine Biron, Sally Stokely, Barbara DePass, Charlotte Hall, Dorothy Day, Mary Joan Woods, Betty Ann Bowser, Bernice Sandford, Rose Davis, Barbara Rice, Virginia Jones, and Frances Williams.

The following will receive their second degree: Mary Clayton Williams, Margaret Gilman, Margarette Jennings, Jo Lee Fleet, Margaret Kilian, Elizabeth Alexander, and Pauline Brown.

The highest, or third degree, will be given to Hilda Clarke, Janie Lee Reynolds, Virginia Dare Dougherty, Myrtis Hall, Courtney Edmond, Mary Whitt, Ahmed Hill, Sarah Briggs, and Eva Catafyoti.

On January 12, 1939, Alpha Phi Sigma met in the auditorium for its first meeting in the new year. The program was devoted to Mr. Mario Armellini, a guest violinist. Mr. Armellini, a musician of much experience, has played with the New York Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra, the Russian Symphony, the St. Louis Symphony, the Metropolitan, besides directing orchestras of his own. Mr. Armellini now lives in Widewater, Virginia, where he teaches music. Included in his programs were -ve Marie and Serenade (Schubert), Hungarian Dance (Brahms), A Souvenir and Serenade (Drda), Minuet (Paderewski), Humoreske (Dvorak). The club and its guests all enjoyed this program of favorites.

Pi Sigma Kappa To Hold Tryouts

Pi Sigma Kappa try-outs are to be held this week. Three new members will be selected to bring the membership up to its capacity of 50.

Any student interested in debating, public speaking, or expression may try out for membership. Candidates will be judged on delivery, originality, content, and posture.

Three Pi Sigma Kappa members, Esmeline Burnett, Elaine Parks, and Margaret Shugar, have been chosen to act as judges along with the officers, who are:

President—Frances Williams.
Vice President—Elizabeth Middleton.
Secretary—Adelaide Rosborough
Treasurer—Sally Stokely.

Opportunity Offered MWC Students

Dr. Harper Explains Plans At Chapel

The students of Mary Washington College are going to have a unique opportunity on February 6 and 7. On those two days there will be equipment and technicians at the College Infirmary, and every girl will have a chance to have a thorough examination and check up on the condition of her health for the amazing low price of \$1 per student.

This program was announced and explained in the Chapel Program on Tuesday by Dr. E. C. Harper, who is the director of the whole program of tuberculosis in Virginia and a member of the State Board of Health. Dr. Harper has done work in this very field for over twenty years and, he, with Dr. Scott, Resident Physician of the College, will read the X-Ray plates so that in addition to a clear picture, a correct interpretation will be placed on the pictures.

This program, which is the first to be carried out in any school in the State of Virginia, is a wonderful opportunity for every girl in college. It is a chance to check up on her health and also to save a great deal of money by doing so.

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Bullet Convocation To Feature R. Hill Fleet

On Wednesday night, January 25, in the auditorium, the Bullet Staff will for the first time in its history, sponsor a Convocation program. The speaker of the evening will be Mr. R. Hill Fleet, member of the House of Delegates from Richmond and Lancaster counties. Mr. Fleet was recently elected secretary of the Code Commission for the revision of school books in the state of Virginia. As yet his topic for the evening has not been announced.

As Mr. Fleet is a very entertaining speaker, the Bullet Staff takes great pride in having him appear on their first Convocation program. Immediately following the program a small reception has been planned for the guest of the evening and the entire staff.

Dramatic Club Prexy



Miriam Carpenter

Cast Announced For Production "Warrior's Husband"

"Warrior's Husband", a fantastic play by Julian Thompson will be presented by the Dramatic Club in the near future. The first presentation will be for the students; the second, for people in town. Miss Miriam Carpenter, student director, has announced the following cast for the play:

Sapiens Kitty Roberts
Sapiens Major Lois Firth
Antiope Sarah Dodd
Theseus Mary Jane Beatty
Hypolita Dorothy Harrington
Pomposa Mary Ann Black
Caustica Mary Elizabeth Werth
Buria Mary Elizabeth Welsh
Homer Shirley Bortner
Hercules Henrietta Roberts
Ajax Mary Elizabeth Nelson
Achilles Josephine Ewing
First Sergeant June Stoll
Second Sergeant Millicent Graef
First Soldier Elizabeth Peck
Second Soldier Mary Lee ~~Wainwright~~
Third Soldier Marjorie Clapp
Fourth Soldier Carolyn Muirhead
Fifth Soldier Lucy Dickinson
Sixth Soldier Adelaide Rosborough
Young Amazon Frances Greif

Helenet may substitute

Plans Series Of Musicals

The Glee Club, under the direction of Miss Chauncey, will sing at the regular morning service at the Baptist Church on Sunday, January 22. The chorus will wear vestments and will occupy the choir loft. The numbers to be used are the "Seven Fold Amen", "Praise Ye the Father", "Fairest Lord Jesus", and "The Green Cathedral."

A series of Mary Washington Musicals will soon be inaugurated by the Glee Club. The musicals will be held on Sunday afternoon and will consist of special programs featuring vocal and instrumental talent and choral work featuring the entire group. These musicals will be free to students and the general public, and the Glee Club hopes by sponsoring such programs as these that a greater love for good music will develop on the campus.

SEE YOU
AT THE
BEAUTY CONTEST

Simon Ulman Silver Trophy To Be Presented

After much preparation the Junior Class, under the directorship of its president, Leighton Stevens, is ready to put on tonight its annual benefit. The main feature of the affair will be the Beauty Contest. There will be thirty contestants representing clubs and organizations on the hill. The list includes:

Anderson, Virginia — Student Council.

Brooks, Frances — German.

Beamer, Edith — Freshmen.

Boyer, Miriam — Alpha Tau Pi.

Bowling, Eulalie — Battlefield.

Berry, Jeamime — Alpha Phi Sigma.

Carpenter, Miriam — Mary Washington Players.

Clark, Eugenia — Commercial.

Clark, Margaret — A. A.

Coddington, Dorothy — English Club.

Copeland, Jackie — Town Girl Club.

Cornwell, Elsie Mae — Science Club.

Cureton, Mary Grace — Freshman Commission.

Dickinson, Lucy — Bullet.

Dinges, Elizabeth — Registrar's Office.

Goodloe, Adine — Treasurer's Office.

Graf, Dorothy — Swimming Club.

Greif, Frances — Home Ec.

Harrington, Dorothy — Pi Sigma Kappa.

Holcomb, Margorie — Cotillion.

Johnson, Jeanne — Senior Class.

Jordon, Carol — Dean's Office.

Lassiter, Juanita — Y. W.

Moseley, Nancy — Sophomore Class.

McCulloch, Margaret — Junior Class.

Powers, Glennis — I. R. C.

Rucker, Kay — Riding Club.

Schaffer, Alma Earle — Alpha Psi Omega.

Smith, Margery — Glee Club.

Whitacre, Betty — Eta Beta Pie.

Judges for the event will be Mrs. M. G. Willis, chairman; Mrs. Claude A. Nunnally, and Mr. Levin Houston. Leighton Stevens will present the winner of the contest with a silver trophy.

SKITS PLANNED

In addition to the contest itself, there will be several clever skits presented. In this group is the "Singing Pantomime" sung and directed by Katherine Roberts. The characters include Constance Hawthorn, Elizabeth Weakley, and Gladys Dutrow.

Chris Taylor, a graduate of last year, will sing "Chloe" and "Night and Day."

Another attraction will be the "Jitterbug Demonstration" in which the following partners will

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 1939

THIS IS THE SECOND IN A SERIES OF ARTICLES BY CAMPUS LEADERS

RESPECT?

Someone once said, "an individual who shows respect for others shows a fine sense of citizenship." The person who said that certainly came close to some acute problems here on our campus; for in the hub-bub of excitement and the rushing to and from one thing and another we are prone to forget what we owe to our fellow students, the faculty, the guests we contact day after day, and even ourselves. Let's not be a part of anything which isn't making for better citizens on the campus.

Our taking time in chapel and convocations to do our chatting and giggling upsets and distracts all who are around us, to say nothing of the discomfort we have caused the speaker. We should respect the speaker! We should respect ourselves to the extent of controlling our behavior in public. Who was it that said "First impressions are lasting?"

When we are changing classes, walking from one building to the other, we crowd the faculty and other students off the sidewalks onto the muddy lawn. I saw one faculty member pushed entirely off the brick path when a group of girls approached him walking four a-breast and not even attempting to fall into single file. Apparently the girls thought nothing of it.

Do you not agree with me that these things, as well as others, should be controlled? If you do, then let's get together and make a good beginning by watching our conduct in assemblies, and giving the faculty half of the sidewalk—and don't take your half out of the middle! What do you say?

—Maude Rae Smith.

CALENDER

CALENDAR

JANUARY 20-26

- January 20—JUNIOR BENEFIT—Auditorium—8:00
- January 21—Pop Program—Auditorium—7:00
- January 22—Devotionals—DR. CAVERLEE Speaking—Auditorium—7:00
- January 22—Current Events—MRS. BUSHNELL—Tea Room—6:45
- January 23—SOPHOMORE CLASS MEETING—Auditorium—7:00
- January 25—Convocation for Upperclassmen—Program by Bullet Staff—Auditorium—7:00
- January 26—UPPERCLASSMEN DANCE—Sponsored by the Student Government—Gymnasium—8:00-10:00

Business Of Swinging Classics Isn't All Peaches And Cream To "Old Dipsy Doodle"

Larry Clinton's musical career started off with a wrong note, a cut over his right eye and a gash under his chin. His grandfather struck a discordant tenth on the family pipe organ one day, and Larry—age 1½ tumbled out of a highchair and plunged headfirst through a picture frame.

Larry told the story between bites of a roast-beef sandwich and sips of a scotch and soda backstage at the Paramount Theatre in Newark, New Jersey where he was making an appearance during the recent holidays. Clinton called it breakfast, lunch working in sometimes about midnight.

"Grand-dad kept an album", the bandleader whose ingenuous rewrite of eight notes from Debussy turned into the year's top song, making just about ten times the money for the Debussy estate that the composer earned from his music during his entire lifetime, said, wrapped in a bathrobe, "and made the entry that day as my first signs of musicianship. I still carry the scars, here and there." Larry, who has been winning numerous collegiate polls as outstanding swing leader of the past year, showed this correspondent some faint white crevices over his eyes and under his chin. "Mother used to sing oratorio arias in between meals and grand-dad banged out staccatos by Bach," he said. "I stored up lots of good music in my head and later got to hate formal

instruction and exercises. I liked to find my way about!"

So young Larry went about rummaging through music albums by himself and storing up classical tunes, until one bright day he found a thing called "Reverie" in the back of a collection by a French composer named Claude Debussy. He picked out the melody on the keys with four fingers and a few days later went on to something else. So the Debussy piece got stored up in the back of his head like a sort of "lost chord." He was then twelve. "It didn't come back to me," said Larry, nodding to Bea Wain, his singer, who peeked in and asked to make a "giggle" call; "it didn't come back until one restless night last summer after a grueling session at the Glen Island Casino. I was fooling around on the piano and the thing came to me in a flash—mind you, after more than fifteen years. I wrote lyrics and revised the music a bit and then we received permission to publish it. To date the estate of the late French composer has been enriched by more than \$60,000.

This business of swinging the classics isn't all peaches and cream," Larry told us. "Even though the colleges like our swing versions of things like 'Martha', 'I Dreamt I Dwelt in Marble Halls', and 'Lullaby'—we receive thousands of protests whenever we do one of those numbers of our Magic Key programs!" Larry usually asks the opposing factions if it isn't better to have kids dancing to time-worn melodies like these rather than to the primitive notes of, well, even his own "Dipsy Doodle."

The Clinton band has probably played more college proms than any other top-flight swing unit. The reason, Larry feels, is because the band tries to play directly to the dancer—rather than to the jitterbug. Though, Larry has lots of jam tunes in his books and pulls them out when the occasion arises. "Lifty-Dance-Swing" might be a good catch-line for Larry's style.

Composer-leader Larry Clinton is following his success, "My Reverie" with two new tunes—"It Took A Million Years" and "The Devil With the Devil." We took our leave of Mr. Clinton just about the same time that a myriad of swing fans all but broke his dressing room door in.

Y. W. C. A.

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KEYHOLE KOMMENTS



Isn't life grand!! Yes! It seems to have been for all those lucky girls that strutted out to the Cotillion dance on Saturday night.

"Wiz" Hall we were mighty glad to see that frown gone from your face that was present all day Friday. But after all maybe 300 miles in snow isn't so good! He did get here though, we noticed!

Five plus one equals six and that my dears is exactly how many letters Mill Powell got on Tuesday morning. Yes—sir 'cause she flashed them right in my face when I didn't even get a card!

I can't wait, can you, to see who will be the 1939 Beauty of Mary Washington College. It must be just plain curiosity.

Dr. Harper Continues

Program Of Tuberculosis Talks

Last Tuesday's chapel was a continuation of the interesting and beneficial program on tuberculosis, started two weeks ago.

Dr. Combs heartily recommended Dr. E. C. Harper's campaign to take a chest X-ray of every Mary Washington student. This X-ray will determine whether there are any tuberculous germs present in the lungs or whether there has ever been a tubercular infection.

Dr. Harper stated that tuberculosis is particularly prevalent among women between the ages of 18 and 25. He said that in a student body as large as this, about 1/2 of 1% of the girls would probably have tuberculosis in some form. If an infection is discovered in time, it can easily be controlled; but if, through ignorance, it is allowed to thrive, it can cause great permanent damage.

Dr. Harper is able, because of a new paper film recently perfected, to offer X-rays at the amazingly low price of \$1 each. X-ray technicians and equipment are expected to arrive around February 6. Students are urged to take advantage of this offer.

Junior Benefit

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perform: Ann Smith and Kitty Roberts, Jean McCaffrey and Kay Rucker, Jerry Edmundson, Dorothy Perlmutter.

With Jeannie P. Hutton as director, and Jane Adams, recorder of points, there will be a "Brush Up On Your Swing Contest", featuring four leading students: Miss Sinclair, Miss Lillie Turnman, Dr. Alexander, and Mr. Weiss.

Dr. Davis, sponsor of the junior class is supervising the benefit.

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KEYHOLE KOMMENTS

The latest thing in the way of Sunday Morning entertainment is a breakfast dance. This little idea my dears was originated by Dotty Vernon, Margaret Emerick, Mary Lawrence Davenport and Martha Lee Bennett—the music was furnished by Sophia's electrical Victrola—the guests included Grace Parker, Willie Rawlins, Betty Cooke, Emma Ruth Watkins, and a former student Yvonne Paxson.

We see by the smiles on the faces of Elizabeth Evans and Charlotte Hall that the "Baw-lovers" were here Sunday!

Jane Raye Smith we hate to see you go—but perhaps the lovely moon over Hawaii will do things Fredericksburg never could!

Wonder why Glennis Powers is looking forward so much to Saturday night?

Commercial Club Gives Program For Freshmen

Wednesday evening, January 18, at seven o'clock, the Freshman Student Body assembled in the auditorium for a most interesting and amusing Convocation Program. The program, given by the Commercial Club of the college, was a take-off on the office of Dr. Alvey, Dean of Instruction.

Immediately following the program, announcements were made by Mrs. Bushnell, Dean of Women, concerning various student activities.

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Newly Formed Freshman Chorus Has First Meeting

The Freshman Chorus of Mary Washington College, consisting of fifty-four Freshman girls under the direction of Miss Eva Taylor Eppes, Associate Professor of Music and Voice, held its first meeting on Monday night, January 16, at 7:30 o'clock, in Room 20 of Monroe Hall.

The aim of this chorus, membership in which is limited to first year girls who are not members of the college Glee Club, is to serve as a stepping-stone to more advanced work of a similar nature.

The following applicants have been accepted to do Freshman choral work: Phyllis Aiken, Alice Amory, Elizabeth Anthony, June Baughman, Ann Baylor, Betty Lower, Marjorie Brown, Dorothy Bruce, Mary Lou Daniel, Eleanor Donovan, Virginia Ferguson, Dorothy Fischer, Grace Fox, Dorothy Graf, Mary Halliburton, Helen Heye, Annette Hodnette, Betty Hoffman, Betty Jane Wieland, Nancy Jane Mann, Eva B. Mittelman, Carolyn N. Moore, Hermine F. Moore, Lois Keeter, Dorothy Lewis, Margaret Marshall, Elmer Mather, Anne Miller, Catherine Mitchell, Margaret Munden, Barbara Nock, Katherine Nutt, Doris O'Quinn, Mildred Patterson, Martha Paulette, Elizabeth Perry, Sally Phillips, Helen Sampson, Ruth Scarlett, Dorothy Virginia Schellhorn, Elizabeth Stoeker, Virginia Tappan, Phyllis Thompson, Mary Waugh, Wahneta Young, Margaret A. Pearson, Dorothy D. Sandridge, Alfreda Steele, Elizabeth L. Stiff, Mary Evans Sides, Wilma Josephine Reasor, Martha Porter Gibson, Margry Moore Jones, and Martha Isabel Tavener.

When asked to make a statement in regard to the recently organized choral work, Miss Eppes, director of the chorus, said: "The personnel of the Freshman Chorus is generally enthusiastic, and, in my opinion, it bids fair to be a corking-good chorus."

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SOCIETY

Miss Josephine Ewing will spend the week-end at her home.

Miss June Brumback will be a visitor in Washington this weekend, she says it is tooth trouble but we wonder.

Miss Mary Jane Beatty will also be among those to spend this weekend in Washington.

Richmond too will be well represented by our girls over the weekend with Mary Carson and Lois Kesterson being among those to make the capital of Virginia their headquarters.

Shirley Stubbs, Dorothy Moore, and Marion Burroughs will go to their respective homes for the weekend.

Sara Tarr is going to Richmond to meet her fiancée on Saturday.

Laura Holman and Elizabeth Denny spent the last weekend in Winchester.

Lucy Selby and Frances Kestler will be in Orange over the weekend.

Virginia Coates and Virginia Aperson will truck over to Culpeper for brief visit the latter part of this week.

Eleanor Phillipps, Jane Donnelly and Rosemary Ida Rice will witness the V. P. I. vs. Va. fight this weekend. Rosemary of course will be going to cheer for old V. P. I. Alice "Breezy" Fitzhugh visited Jerry Edmonson and Virginia E. Lewis last weekend.

Myrtle Salisbury of Alison visited Margaret Minter last weekend.

Jerry Edmonson is going to Washington this weekend.

The Boxing matches are calling the more pugilistic minded girls to the U. of Virginia this weekend. Among those who will attend are: Nancy Herr, Mary Etta Landrum, Evelyn Lasley, Hilda Sager, Evelyn Florence, Mary Williamson Bowles, Jane Donnelly, and Eleanor Phillips. How about giving the girls a chance, boys, and let them show you what a "knock out" they really can be!

Ruth Cheshire will visit Virginia Jay this weekend.

Richmond is calling Connie Hawthorne again this weekend.

Kay Rucker will spend Sunday in Richmond with her latest heart-throb.

Mary Lou Wilcox is spending this weekend at home in Richmond.

Janet Patterson will be in Harrisonburg for the weekend.

Jo Lee Fleet will spend the weekend with her parents in Richmond. She will have as her guest, her roommate, Miss Dorothy Coddington, of Biglerville, Penn.

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Winter Quarter Shows Increase In Enrollment

The Winter Quarter of the 1938-1939 session of Mary Washington College began on Monday morning, January 2, at 8:30 o'clock, with an increase in enrollment of seventeen students.

The new students, representatives of many localities in Virginia as well as those of other states, are as follows: Edna Virginia Angel, Fredericksburg, Virginia; Georgie Revere Ashley, Fredericksburg, Virginia; Georgiana Brock, Fredericksburg, Virginia; Helen Ford Carter, Gate City, Virginia; Helen Hubbard Christensen, Northville, Michigan; Sallie Mae Edwards, Newport News, Virginia; Hazel Julia Freeman, Holden, West Virginia; Olylee LaVerne Foden, Fredericksburg, Virginia; Antoinette Eudora Hayes, Sanford, Florida; Doris Virginia Johnson, Portsmouth, Virginia; Martha Ann Miller, Anderson, Indiana; Buelah Carolyn Parker, Stony Creek, Virginia; Helen Virginia Peters, New Bedford, Virginia; Esther James Putman, Winston, Virginia; Marcelon Ferne Sigsworth, Grosse Pointe, Michigan; Mary Ellen White, Northwest, Virginia; Hazel Frances Wray, Richmond, Virginia.

IT SEEMS THAT—

THIS COLLEGiate WORLD

(By Associated Collegiate Press)

Harvardman Gordon M. Riggs claims he isn't the Hercules of college land—but he proved it at least had a Herculean sense of humor when he made that statement. In case you haven't heard about Gordon M., you'll lift your eyebrows a notch or two when you learn that he can twist an iron rod into the shape of a pretzel barehanded. Listen to him:

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**Fencing Club To Be Organized Monday**

Dr. Sinclair Will

Sponsor Activities

The Fencing Club will officially be organized on Monday, January 23 according to Dorothy Shaw, acting chairman of the organization.

All last year's members will meet to discuss taking in new members and the election of officers.

Meetings of the club will be held once a week, at which time Dr. Caroline Sinclair, sponsor of the group, will give drills in fencing. Competitive tournaments will frequently be held by the members.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

(By Associated Collegiate Press)

"The university must make deliberate, conscious attempts to tie itself into the pattern of American community life in some meaningful way if it is to justify its place in the community as an instrument for the protection and advancement of democracy." New York University's Dean Ned H. Dearborn urges higher education to pay more attention to adult education.

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